CLAIMS:

1. A method of fastening a building board to a framework of a building, which is characterized in that a building board having a flat plate-like configuration and provided on the rear surface thereof with engaging protrusions, and an elongated fixture which is adapted to be detachably engaged with the building board are employed, and that the building board is assembled in advance together with the elongated fixture through an engagement between the engaging protrusions and the elongated fixture, and then the elongated fixture is fixed to the framework of a building, thereby fastening the building board to the framework of a building.

The method of fastening a building board to a framework of a building according to claim 1 wherein said fixture is constructed such that it comprises a main body which is designed to be entirely or partially contacted with the rear surface of a building board; engaging holes formed in the main body; a rising portion formed at one end in the longitudinal direction of the main body; an engaging region formed at or near said rising portion; an extension portion extending from the distal edge of said rising portion in direction away from and parallel with said main body; and an engaging tongue formed at the other end in the longitudinal direction of the main body; wherein said engaging tongue is positioned and shaped such that it can be inserted into said engaging region of the fixture attached to a neighboring building board as a couple of building boards each having the fixture attached to the rear surface thereof are positioned neighboring in vertical direction; and

wherein after a first building board to be disposed at a lower level is fastened at first to the framework of a building by taking advantage of the fixture attached to the rear surface of the building board, a second building board to be disposed over said first building board is placed along the upper horizontal edge of said first building board and fastened to the framework of a building by inserting the engaging tongue of the fixture attached to the rear surface of the second building board into the engaging region formed in the fixture of the first building board.

- 3. A building board having a plate-like configuration, which is characterized in that a plurality of engaging pieces each functioning as an engaging protrusion are fixed to the rear surface of a building board at predetermined intervals.
- 4. The building board according to claim 3, wherein fixing of said engaging pieces is performed by making use of a driving rivet whose tip opens while being driven.
- 5. The building board according to claim 4, wherein said building board is a ceramic building board.
- 6. The building board according to claim 5, wherein a rabbet joint-forming work is applied to at least upper and lower horizontal edges of said building board.
- 7. A fixture which is constructed such that it comprises a main body which is designed to be entirely or partially contacted with the rear surface of a building board; engaging holes formed in the main body; a rising portion formed at one end in the longitudinal direction of the main body; an engaging region formed at or near said rising portion; an extension portion extending from the distal edge of said rising portion in a direction away from and parallel

with said main body; and an engaging tongue formed at the other end in the longitudinal direction of the main body;

wherein said engaging tongue is positioned and shaped such that it can be inserted into said engaging region of the fixture attached to a neighboring building board as a couple of building boards each having the fixture attached to the rear surface thereof are positioned neighboring in vertical direction; and said engaging holes is consisted of a first opening which is large enough to allow the engaging piece fixed to the rear surface of the building board to pass therethrough, and a second opening which is not large enough to allow said engaging piece to pass therethrough and is formed integral with said first opening.

- 8. The fixture according to claim 7, wherein said engaging region is formed of an opening formed in said rising portion.
- 9. The fixture according to claim 7, wherein said rising portion is formed narrower than the width of the main body, and said engaging region is constituted by a region which is located at one end in the longitudinal direction of the main body and where said rising portion is not existed.
- 10. The fixture according to any one of claims 7 to 9, wherein said main body is provided at both sides thereof with a reinforcing member.
- 11. The fixture according to claim 10, wherein at least one hole is formed in said extension portion.
- 12. A method of fastening a building board to a framework of a building by making use of a fixture; wherein said fixture is constructed such that it comprises a main body which is designed to be entirely or partially contacted with the rear surface of a

building board; engaging holes formed in the main body; a rising portion formed at one end in the longitudinal direction of the main body; an engaging region formed at or near said rising portion; an extension portion extending from the distal edge of said rising portion in a direction away from and parallel with said main body; and an engaging tongue formed at the other end in the longitudinal direction of the main body; wherein said engaging tongue is positioned and shaped such that it can be inserted into said engaging region of the fixture attached to a neighboring building board as a couple of building boards each having the fixture attached to the rear surface thereof are positioned neighboring in vertical direction; and

wherein after a first building board to be disposed at a lower level is fastened at first to the framework of a building by taking advantage of the fixture attached to the rear surface of the building board, a second building board to be disposed over said first building board is placed along the upper horizontal edge of said first building board and fastened to the framework of a building by inserting the engaging tongue of the fixture attached to the rear surface of the second building board into the engaging region formed in the fixture of the first building board.

13. The method of fastening a building board to a framework of a building according to claim 12, wherein said fixture is fixed to the rear surface of the building board with at least the extension portion thereof being protruded from the peripheral edge of the building board.

14. The method of fastening a building board to a framework of a building according to claim 13, wherein a plurality of said

fixtures are fixed to the rear surface of the building board at predetermined intervals in conformity with the intervals of the vertical members of a building.

- 15. The method of fastening a building board to a framework of a building according to claim 13 or 14, wherein said fixture is fixed to the rear surface of the building board by taking advantage of a hole formed in the main body and by making use of a driving rivet whose tip opens while being driven.
- 16. The method of fastening a building board to a framework of a building according to claim 12, wherein said building board is a ceramic building board.
- 17. The method of fastening a building board to a framework of a building according to claim 12 or 16, wherein a rabbet joint-forming work is applied to at least upper and lower horizontal edges of said building board.
- 18. A fixture which is adapted to be fixed to a rear surface of a building board, and constructed such that it comprises a main body which is designed to be entirely or partially contacted with the rear surface of the building board; engaging holes formed in the main body; a rising portion formed at one end in the longitudinal direction of the main body; an engaging region formed at or near said rising portion; an extension portion extending from the distal edge of said rising portion in a direction away from and parallel with said main body; and an engaging tongue formed at the other end in the longitudinal direction of the main body;

wherein said engaging tongue is positioned and shaped such that it can be inserted into said engaging region of the fixture attached to a neighboring building board as a couple of building

boards each having the fixture attached to the rear surface thereof are positioned neighboring in vertical direction.

- 19. The fixture according to claim 18, wherein said engaging region is formed of an opening formed in said rising portion.
- 20. The fixture according to claim 19, which further comprises a second rising portion formed contiguous with a distal end of the extension portion and extended parallel with said first rising portion and toward the main body side.
- 21. The fixture according to claim 20, wherein said second rising portion is provided at a distal end thereof with a cut-out portion having a size which enables said engaging tongue to pass therethrough.
- 22. The fixture according to any one of claims 18 to 21, wherein said main body is provided with at least one hole at a portion thereof which is designed to be contacted with the rear surface of a building board.
- 23. The fixture according to claim 22, wherein said extension portion is provided with at least one hole.